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Office Action Summary

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Applicant(s)

PUSKARIC ET AL.

Examiner

Nahid Amiri

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Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 03 MONTH(S) FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 25 September 2003.
- 2a) ☐ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☒ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-7 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 25 September 2003 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
- Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
- Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
- 2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
- 3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 25 September 2003.
- 4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date. _____.
- 5) ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
- 6) ☐ Other: _____.

DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1-3, 6 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over US patent No. 4,481,887 Urbano in view of US Patent No. 6,720,874 B2 Fufido et al.

In regard to claims 1-3, 6: Urbano discloses the claimed invention Fig. 1, security doors 1 having first pair of panels (doors) 3 for separating an unsecured area from a walkway 5 from an open position to a blocked position after a person has passed therethrough; column 3, line 60-64, having electronic eye or photocell 13, 13' to detect the person and having a second pair of panels (doors) 3 separating the walkway 5 from a secured area from an open position to a blocked position after the person has passed therethrough. Urbano does not disclose the method of identifying the person in unsecured area and while the person in the walkway. Fufido teaches Fig. 1, column 5, line 48-56, having various sensors and camera 22 for identify the person 15 in unsecured area 18. It would have been obvious steps method of providing cameral in unsecured area or walkway in order to identify the person and move the person from unsecured area or walkway to secure area by passing through the security door.

Claims 4-5, 7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Urbano as in view of US Patent No. 6,720,874 B2 Fufido et al., and further in view of US Patent No. 4,656,954 Tonalì.

In regard to claim 4, 7: Urbano discloses the claimed invention Fig. 1, security doors 1 having first pair of panels (doors) 3 for separating an unsecured area from a walkway 5 from an open position to a blocked position after a person has passed therethrough; column 3, line 60-64, having electronic eye or photocell 13, 13' to detect the person and having a second pair of panels (doors) 3 separating the walkway 5 from a secured area from an open position to a blocked position after the person has passed therethrough. Urbano does not disclose the method of identifying the person as not approved and controlling traffic by moving a side panel separating a second unsecured area from the walkway. Fufido teaches Fig. 1, column 5, line 48-56, having various sensors and camera 22 for identify the person 15 in unsecured area 18. Tonali teaches Fig. 1 having a side panel (door) 10 separating the second unsecured area D from the walkway from an open position to a blocked position after the person has passed therethrough. It would have been obvious steps method of providing camera in order to identify the person and it is obvious steps method by providing side panel in order to move unapproved person from walkway to unsecured area.

In regard to claim 5: Urbano discloses the claimed invention Fig. 1, security doors 1 having first pair of panels (doors) 3 for separating an unsecured area from a walkway 5 from an open position to a blocked position after a person has passed therethrough; column 3, line 60-64, having electronic eye or photocell 13, 13' to detect the person and having a second pair of panels (doors) 3 separating the walkway 5 from a secured area from an open position to a blocked position after the person has passed therethrough. Urbano does not disclose the method identifying the person an not approved and controlling traffic by providing side panel separating a second unsecured area from the walkway and trapping the person within the panels. Fufido teaches Fig. 1, column 5, line 48-56, having various sensors and camera 22 for identify the person 15 in unsecured area 18. Tonali teaches Fig. 1, column 3, line 3-37, having a side panel (door) 10 separating the second unsecured area D from the walkway from an open position to a blocked position thereby holding the person within the panels and unlocked the door 10 to move the users into discharge space D. It would have been obvious steps method of providing camera in order to identify the person and it is obvious steps method by providing side panel in order to move the unauthorized person from walkway to unsecured area.

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Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

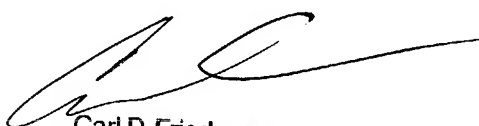
US Patent No. 4,741,275 Lewiner et al.

US Patent No. 6,308,644 B1 Diaz

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Nahid Amiri whose telephone number is (703) 305-4241 and Fax number is 703-305-7687. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 8:00-5:30 p.m. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor Carl Friedman can be reached at (703) 308-0839.

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